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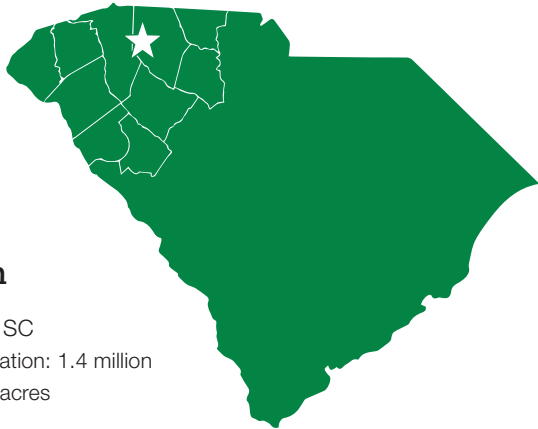
University of South Carolina Upstate
Up is where we live.



Overview

The University of South Carolina Upstate is nestled in the foothills of the Blue Ridge Mountains, between Atlanta, GA and Charlotte, NC. One of the fastest-growing, baccalaureate-granting institutions in the nation, USC Upstate is recognized by *U.S. News & World Report* as #1 among Southern Regional Public Colleges. *Washington Monthly Magazine* ranks USC Upstate as the best baccalaureate college in South Carolina and No. 9 (out of 216) on its list of the nation's top undergraduate institutions. Additionally, it has been designated as a College of Distinction.

As the public comprehensive university in the Upstate, USC Upstate is home to approximately 6,300 students and more than 45 undergraduate and graduate programs. It is accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges (SACSCOC). A member of the Big South Conference, USC Upstate Spartans compete in 17 NCAA Division I sports. With more than 30,000 alumni and an economic impact that exceeds half a billion dollars each year, USC Upstate is uniquely positioned to create transformative opportunities through higher education to better serve the needs of our region, to include fulfilling critical workforce needs while contributing to the social, cultural and economic development of the Upstate of South Carolina.



Location

Spartanburg, SC

Upstate Population: 1.4 million

Campus: 330 acres

Economic Impact

The economic impact of USC Upstate on the state of South Carolina exceeds \$500 million annually.

Strategic Priorities

Up. Together—The USC Upstate Strategic Plan 2018–2023 was created to capitalize on the University’s tremendous positive momentum, forge a path ahead, and achieve even greater heights. It’s built upon three strategic priorities, each of which is supported by actionable objectives and measured by key performance indicators.

We create transformative opportunities.

USC Upstate is defined by a culture of accountability, excellence, equity, and engagement by:

- providing rigorous, career-relevant and accessible education
- enhancing the quality of life in Upstate South Carolina
- being the university of choice for faculty and staff, students, and the community



Administration

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Students

Enrollment Figures (undergrad, transfer, grad)

STUDENT ENROLLMENT (Fall 2019)

Total enrollment	6,307
Undergraduate enrollment (less new transfer)	5,098
Undergraduate new transfer enrollment	754
Graduate enrollment	455

FIRST TIME IN COLLEGE (FTIC)*

New FTICs, Fall 2019	882
Reside in on-campus housing	558
Average high school GPA	3.90
Average SAT	1008
Mid-range SAT	1000
Average ACT	20
Mid-range ACT	19
Upstate Student Scholars	737
South Carolina residents	806
Out-of-state residents	68

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FTIC continued ...

South Carolina counties represented	42
States represented	22
Countries represented	7
South Carolina high schools represented	100

Diversity

STUDENT CHARACTERISTICS (All Students)

Percent of all students who are female	68.0%
Percent of all students by race/ethnicity:	
American Indian or Alaska Native	0.2%
Asian	3.0%
Black or African American	28.0%
Hispanic/Latino	6.0%
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	0.1%
White	54.0%
Two or More Races	4.0%
Race and Ethnicity Unknown	3.0%
International	1.0%



Cost of Attendance (per semester)

UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT

	S.C. Resident	Non S.C. Resident
Full time tuition*	\$5,604	\$11,355
Housing	\$2,360 to \$3,426	\$2,360 to \$3,426
Meals	\$1,378 to \$1,642	
Books / Supplies	\$500 to \$1,000	\$500 to \$1,000

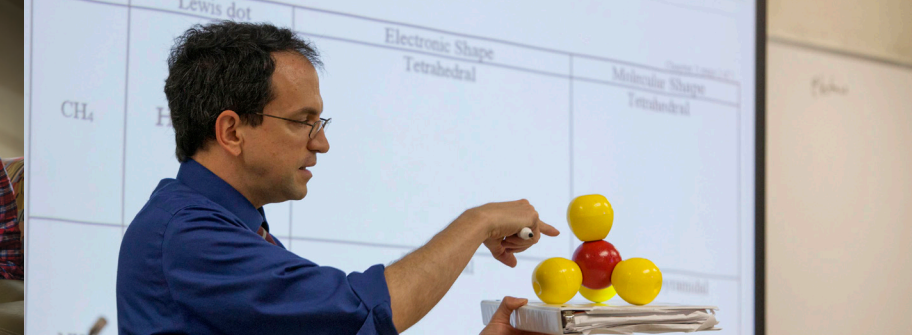
GRADUATE STUDENT

	S.C. Resident	Non S.C. Resident
Full time tuition	\$6,867	\$14,880

FINANCIAL AID / SCHOLARSHIPS

Scholarships	\$12,309,446.00
Grants	\$13,051,838.00
Loans	\$26,168,228.00
Work Study	
Total	\$51,529,512.00

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Faculty

Faculty/Staff Profile (number of employees)

Faculty Full-time	240
Male	99
Female	141
Faculty Part-time	244
Male	90
Female	154
Staff Full-time	300
Staff Part-time	173
Total Employees	957
Average Class Size	18
Student to Faculty Ratio	16:1



| Academics

Points of Pride

College of Arts, Humanities, and Social Sciences

- From Psychology to Criminal Justice to History, the college is a diverse and exciting place for students to explore the human condition, whether it is in the classroom or through internships and study abroad.
- The Studio provides graphic design students with an opportunity to build a professional portfolio through work with university and community clients.
- The Theatre Program has earned national and international recognition.

College of Science and Technology

- The biomedical research program at USC Upstate used a \$500,000 grant from the South Carolina IDeA Networks of Biomedical Research Excellence to establish an eight-week, summer research program.
- In response to a growing demand for graduates trained in data security and information assurance, USC Upstate now offers a Bachelor of Science degree in Cybersecurity.

George Dean Johnson, Jr. College of Business and Economics

- The undergraduate business program is among just 15 percent worldwide to be accredited by AACSB International—the Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business.
- A new Master's in Business Analytics is the first graduate program of its kind in South Carolina, and was created in direct response to industry need.



Mary Black School of Nursing

- One of the Southeast's most highly regarded nursing institutions, the Mary Black School of Nursing offers the largest BSN program that includes pre-licensure and the RN-BSN tracks.
- More than 90% of graduates pass the national licensing exam on their first attempt, which is required before employment.
- The School is a major talent developer for hospital systems in Spartanburg and Greenville.

School of Education, Human Performance, and Health

- The School's high-touch, interdisciplinary approach focuses on developing educators who understand the importance of individual and community health, and human services professionals who are well-versed in educational systems and theories.
- The School provides South Carolina's only online Master's Degree in Applied Learning and Instruction.

Library

- The USC Upstate Library, with more than 240,00 print volumes and 300 databases, serves the curricular information needs of students, faculty and staff, and where possible, the educational needs of the broader community.



Degree Programs

Undergraduate Majors

Advanced Manufacturing
Management

Art Education

Art Studio

(Graphic Design emphasis)

Biology

Business Administration

& Economics

- Accounting
- Economics/Finance
- Entrepreneurship and Innovation
- General Business Administration
- Logistics & Supply Chain Management
- Management
- Marketing

Chemistry

Child Development & Family Studies

Commercial Music

Communications

- Communication Studies
- Mass Media
- Public Relations

Community Health

Computer Information Systems

Computer Science

Criminal Justice*

Cybersecurity

Early Childhood Education

Elementary Education

Engineering Technology
Management

English

Exercise and Sport Science

Health Informatics*

History

Information Management & Systems*

Interdisciplinary Studies

Mathematics

Middle Level Education

Nursing*

Physical Education

Political Science

Psychology (Experimental)

Secondary Education

- Biology
- Chemistry
- English

*Available online



- Mathematics
- Social Studies/History
- Spanish

Sociology

Spanish

Special Education:
Learning Disabilities

Theatre

Pre-Professional Programs

Pre-Chiropractic

Pre-Dental

Pre-Engineering

Pre-Law

Pre-Medical

Pre-Occupational Therapy

Pre-Optometry

Pre-Pharmacy

Pre-Physical Therapy

Pre-Physician Assistant

Pre-Veterinary Medicine

Master's Programs

Applied Learning and Instruction*

Business Analytics

Nursing

- Clinical Nurse Leader*
- Nursing Education
- Nursing Leadership

Informatics

Special Education:
Visual Impairment

Post-Baccalaureate Certification

Child Advocacy Studies

Teaching English to Speakers
of Other Languages (TESOL)

*Available online



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Program Accreditations

- Art Education is accredited by National Association of Schools of Art and Design (NASAD) and National Council for Accreditation of Teacher Education (NCATE)
- Chemistry is certified by the American Chemical Society
- Engineering Technology Management is accredited by the Engineering Technology Accreditation Commission of ABET
- Computer Science is accredited by the Accreditation Board for Engineering and Technology (ABET)
- Health Information Management is accredited by the Commission on Accreditation for Health Informatics and Information Management (CAHIIM)
- George Dean Johnson, Jr. College of Business and Economics is accredited by the Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business (AACSB)
- Mary Black School of Nursing is fully accredited by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE) and approved by the South Carolina Board of Nursing
- School of Education, Human Performance, and Health is accredited by the South Carolina Department of Education and the Council for the Accreditation of Educator Preparation (CAEP) and is among just 28 percent in the U.S. to be accredited by CAEP



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Centers

- The **Child Protection Training Center** provides exceptional training for child protection workers. The Center is one of only four centers of its kind nationally, offering a rare opportunity for multi-disciplinary team members to hone their skills in areas of detection, reporting and response.
- The mission for the **Watershed Ecology Center** includes scientific research on the watershed ecology of the region, community outreach, and educational programming for local schools. Programming is designed to educate K-12 students about the value of water resources.
- The **Center for Women's and Gender Studies** provides opportunities for the campus community to examine cultural assumptions about gender. Established in 1998, the center represents a part of the university's ongoing commitment to recognizing and supporting diversity efforts on campus.
- The **Center for African American Studies** operates from a unique combination of scholarly work, cultural and social programming, and outreach to African American communities of the Upstate. The Center houses the African American Studies Minor, an 18-credit hour course of study.



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University College

The mission of University College is to help students succeed in their studies, to create an exceptional learning experience for students committed to academic excellence, and provide high-impact experiential learning opportunities in support of their employment objectives. It is home to academic support services and special academic programs, including:

- The **Honors Program** provides a unique learning environment by offering a curriculum of study designed to prepare students for life-long learning and achievements. The Honors Program encourages students to grow intellectually, think independently and critically, and engage in a challenging learning experience.
- The **Center for International Studies** manages university partnerships worldwide to provide global engagement programs and support services that enrich the academic and professional development of students, faculty, and staff. Programs include study abroad, international internships, service learning, research, volunteering, and teaching overseas.



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- The Office of Service Learning and Community Engagement was established in 2015 as a forum that cultivates strong reciprocal relationships between USC Upstate faculty and students, and community organizations. Service Learning is defined as a method of teaching and learning that integrates student participation in organized service activities into credit-bearing courses.
- The **Student Success Center** helps to ensure students succeed in their studies, graduate in a timely manner, and begin a career or graduate study. Academic support, including free tutoring, provides students with the tools and resources needed to make a smooth transition into college.



Athletics

The USC Upstate Spartans, an official member of the Big South Conference, field 17 sports Division I teams including basketball, soccer, tennis, golf, cross country, and track and field for both women and men; baseball for men; and softball and volleyball for women. The 250 student-athletes continually achieve success in the classroom with 12 athletic programs posting a team GPA of 3.0 or higher.

- After joining the Big South Conference in July 2018, the Spartan athletic teams are matched with competitors in South Carolina, North Carolina, and Virginia.
- With competitors located within 300 miles of campus, and many within 100 miles, the campus community, alumni and fans are able to enjoy more games.



University Advancement

The Office of University Advancement is committed to informing, engaging, strengthening relationships with, and securing financial support from a diverse spectrum of audiences through integrated, strategically aligned communications, engagement programs, and philanthropic opportunities. University Advancement aims to build lifelong relationships that promote loyalty and foster a greater understanding of and support for the University of South Carolina Upstate in its endeavor to create transformative opportunities for the Upstate region.

Alumni

More than 80 percent of USC Upstate alumni remain in the Upstate of South Carolina following graduation to build successful careers and lives as leaders in local communities, strengthening an alumni network of 30,000-plus and the fabric of the region.

Make a Gift

Philanthropic gifts from individuals, private foundations, and corporations play a critical role in advancing strategic priorities, accelerating growth, and increasing the competitiveness of the University through the creation of transformative opportunities. Making a gift is simple! Visit www.uscupstate.edu/give or by contacting the Office of University Advancement at 864.503.5234 for more details.

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